

Board of Commissioners

May 7, 2007 – 8:45 am

Meeting called to order by President Rininger. Commissioners Rininger, Logsdon, Gogel, and Board Attorney Lueken were present.

Minutes

April 2, 2007; April 17, 2007; and April 17, 2007 Executive Session. Logsdon made a motion to approve. Rininger seconded. Gogel abstained because he was not a commissioner at the time of the meetings. All in favor.

Claims

Gogel made a motion to approve claims. Logsdon seconded. All in favor.

Board Appointments

Rininger explained that there are three board appointments that were held by Chris Leiberling – Indiana 15, Welfare to Work, and Interlocal Board. Logsdon made a motion to appoint Gogel to all three. Rininger seconded. All in favor.

Logsdon asked Gogel to take an unofficial appointment to the animal control committee. Discussion was had on the status of the Animal Control Ordinance. Lueken stated that until there is a clear plan on how it could be funded, the county may be increasing its liability by having an ordinance that it can not enforce. Logsdon stated it needs to be looked at again to see if there is anything we can do.

Fire and Security Contracts

King received a quote for fire and security protection from Koorsen for the jail, to add to the quotes Deputy Graham obtained last month. After her research, Graham had suggested that the commissioners sign a contract with Koorsen. Logsdon made a motion to sign a one year contract with Koorsen for the courthouse, highway, and 4-H

building including a 10-year warranty on the self-illuminating exit lights. Gogel seconded. All in favor. Logsdon made a motion to sign a one year contract with Koorsen for the jail. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

EMA Grant – GIS

EMA Director Perdue explained that Spencer County has been selected to receive an Enhanced GIS grant in the amount of \$17,902 to be used to make the GIS mapping available online for the state in case of an emergency and to purchase additional laptops for fire department, EMS and EMA. Logsdon asked, if the GIS was approved and available on a county website, what information would be available. Perdue stated it would be the same as what the state is asking to have available. The cost of keeping up the information if it is on a county website will be \$300 per year, but that is only if the county has a website. Gogel stated the contract states it will cost \$1,200 a year to keep the data online. Gogel asked who pays for the \$1,200. Perdue stated he does not think the county has to pay the \$1,200. He will check with the state and find out. Logsdon asked if a disaster hit the county like what hit Kansas and all of the computers were destroyed, would this site help the county work with FEMA to pin point the county roads and help with disaster relief. Perdue said yes. Gogel made a motion to table the request until the May 22nd meeting so Perdue can check to see who pays the \$1,200 per year. Logsdon seconded. All in favor.

Emergency Management Alliance

Perdue has been asked to sit on the state board of the Indiana Emergency Management Alliance, and requested the commissioners' permission. Gogel made a motion to approve. Logsdon seconded. All in favor.

National Emergency Exercise

Perdue has been asked to be a controller and evaluator for the national emergency exercise to be held May 10th through the 13th, and requested the commissioners' permission. Logsdon made a motion to approve. Gogel seconded. All in favor. Rininger congratulated Perdue on both of the appointments by the state.

Tree Removal

King presented two quotes for the removal of trees inside the fenced in area beside the old jail building and one on Main Street in front of the old jail building. King stated this would enable the county to use the fenced in area for parking equipment; and the one on Main Street is in danger of falling on the neighboring business. Logsdon made a motion to hire Southern Indiana Tree Service based on the low bid, contingent on them providing the county with a certificate of insurance naming the county as additional insured. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

Old EMT Building

Perdue stated that all of the EMA equipment has been removed from the old EMT building. King stated there is approximately a truck load of electrical equipment that needs to be removed.

Highway Report

Intersection Temporarily Closed - Painter stated that Mike Day, an inspector with INDOT, gave him the papers regarding a road closure at the intersection of SR 231 and CR 500 N, starting May 14th through August 14th. The intersection will be reconstructed.

Town of Dale – Painter stated that the Town of Dale will be laying a new water line which will cross CR 1900 N at the intersection of 225E and they have asked if they could open cut the road. Painter said he would rather the town bore under the road because it is a paved CEDIT road. The town also asked if they could put the water valves out in the road. Painter stated valves in the road have caused problems in the past and he would rather they not be allowed. Rininger stated the town should be able to get right-of-ways. Logsdon stated the policy has been to bore under the road, there is no need to change it; new problems do not need to be created. Rininger told Painter to let the town know that they are to bore under the road and water valves will not be allowed in the road.

CR 800 N Bond – Painter stated that Aurora Gas and Oil was back and running heavy equipment on CR 800 N, so he does not think the bond should be released until they are completely finished. The commissioners agreed.

Bridge #292 – Logsdon asked about the problems with Bridge #292 that were discussed at the last meeting. Painter stated the beams have been moved and the new abutment is being poured. The bridge may be open on Friday.

Mowing – Logsdon asked about mowing the right-of-ways. With gas possibly going to \$4.00 per gallon the number of passes and the width mowed needs to be discussed. Painter said it has been discussed within the

department. Logsdon asked that he bring the plan to the commissioners at the next meeting so a policy can be made and it is the same in all three districts.

Annual Highway Operations Report – Gogel made a motion to sign the Annual Highway Operations Report. Logsdon seconded. All in favor.

Bid Opening for Highway Equipment – Lueken stated that the bid specifications call for bids to be received until 9:30 am, but a bid was accepted by the Auditor’s office after the 9:30 deadline. Lueken asked the commissioners if they want to allow the bid. Rininger asked the bidders present if there was any objection to allowing the bid. No objection was voiced. Rininger stated he felt it should be opened. Logsdon made a motion that the sealed bid be allowed only because a county employee told them it would be allowed. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

Bid Package #1 Dump Trucks:

Sternberg	\$196,464.66 without trade	\$132,964.66 with trade
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Lueken stated that in the Freightliner package a faxed bid bond was included with no original signatures, but otherwise it was in order. The commissioners accepted the fax.

Freightliner of Evansville	\$214,242.00 without trade	\$148,212.00 with trade
Ruxer	\$206,670.00 without trade	\$144,670.00 with trade
Uebelhor & Sons	\$217,464.00 without trade	\$152,964.00 with trade

Bid Package #2 Dump Body:

Elpers Truck Equipment	\$78,483.00	
Mills Truck Equipment	-Not responsive, no bid bond or cashiers check	
Meyer Truck Equipment	\$74,025.00	
Tri State Utility	\$72,075.00	
Omaha Standard	\$84,084.00	

Bid Package #3 Backhoe:

Lueken stated that in the K & W Equipment package the non-collusion affidavit was not signed. The representative of K & W was present. The commissioners allowed the representative to sign since it does not change the actual bid.

K & W Equipment	\$69,900.00 without trade	\$60,000.00 with trade
Whayne Supply Co.	\$68,052.00 without trade	\$61,102.00 with trade
Southeastern Equip – A	\$59,200.00 without trade	\$49,700.00 with trade
Southeastern Equip – B	\$57,500.00 without trade	\$48,000.00 with trade

Lueken stated that the sealed bid that was turned in late and was allowed was from Shourds Equipment.

Ken Shourds Equipment	\$59,900.00 without trade	\$51,000.00 with trade
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Lueken stated that in the bid package for Hopf Equipment is a faxed copy of a company check from German American Bank in an amount consistent with the amount needed, but it is not a cashier’s check. The bid specifications call for a bid bond or cashiers check of not less than 10% of the total bid. Lueken stated the commissioners have to decide if it will be allowed. Lueken recommended that it be found not responsive. The representative of Hopf equipment stated that since exceptions were previously made, this should also be allowed. A representative of another company stated that by allowing any of these exceptions, the commissioners were hurting the companies that prepared their bids according to the specifications. Lueken stated that the commissioners have the right to reject any and all bids and having read a bid does not obligate you to accept the bid. Gogel stated that the commissioners agreed to open the bid that came in late but not to accept it; if this one is read it will be treated the same as the others. The commissioners agreed to read the bid by Hopf.

Hopf Equipment	\$68,100.00 without trade	\$57,450.00 with trade
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Logsdon stated that it should be noted that three bids are being verbally contested by representatives of companies that met the stated procedures. Lueken confirmed that the three bids were submitted by Hopf Equipment, Ken Shourds Equipment, and K & W Equipment.

Bid Package #4 Pickup Trucks:

Uebelhor & Sons	\$88,637.00 without trade	\$74,387.00 with trade
Ruxer Ford	\$82,890.00 without trade	\$72,590.00 with trade
Andy Mohr Chevrolet	\$80,891.00 without trade	\$74,741.00 with trade

A representative of one of the companies asked when the Andy Mohr Chevrolet bid, which was in a DHL envelope, came in because he saw DHL deliver an envelope after the deadline. The package is not time stamped. Logsdon stated that to be fair, DHL will be called and with the tracking number it can be determined what time it was delivered. Then both Uebelhor and Ruxer will be called to give them the information.

Lueken stated that all of the bids will have to be gone over to see if all of the specifications are met. The staff will report back to the commissioners at the May 22nd meeting and bids will be awarded at 9:15 am.

Annual Report to the State Superintendent

Shelton presented the Annual Report of the Commissioners to the State Superintendent for the commissioners to sign. Logsdon made a motion to sign. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

Indiana 15

Lisa Gehlhausen of Indiana 15 offered to talk with the commissioners during the drainage board meeting where she is also scheduled to appear, since the meeting is running long.

Engineer Report

Vectren - Holstein stated that the agreement with Vectren, to have them repair the roads damaged by their equipment, has been signed.

Base Road Project – Holstein presented an agreement with BLA to do the right-of-way engineering and services for the Base Road project. Lueken stated this does not need to be acted on now, it is for the commissioners’ information. Rininger stated it is contingent on another project.

Orchard Road Project – Holstein stated she has received the data from the survey from URS on the Orchard Road Project. She is now working on the design. Rininger stated that Larry Beeler who lives north of the project has been having problems with wash out. Holstein stated drainage will have to be re-worked as the project progresses.

Old SR 231 – Logsdon questioned Holstein about INDOT requesting the county take over old SR 231 earlier than previously agreed. Holstein stated the county has a relinquishment agreement that states the county does not take over old SR 231 until the new SR 231 is complete. Holstein stated that when the project started going long the county asked for an increase in the amount of incentive money agreed upon to take over the road and the state said that the agreement stands as is. Logsdon stated that there is a drain along old SR 231 that is getting closer and closer to the road that the county needs to keep an eye on. If the state does not fix it before the county take over the road, the county will need to.

Logsdon made a motion to adjourn. Gogel seconded. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 11:19 am.

Board of Commissioners,

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Attest:	
_____ Cindy Shelton, Auditor	_____
